

MAY 2008

MARINA READER

LONG BEACH PARKS, RECREATION & MARINE

GAY PRIDE WEEKEND



The 25th Annual Lesbian & Gay Pride Celebration will be returning to Long Beach on May 17th & 18th. The event hours are from 11 a.m. - 10 p.m. both days. The Marina Green, Rainbow Lagoon and Shoreline Drive will be used for vendor booths, entertainment, and great food. The parade will take place on Sunday beginning at 10:30 a.m. The parade travels on Ocean Blvd. from Temple Ave. to Alamitos Ave. If you would like additional festival information, you may call (562) 987-9191 or visit www.longbeachpride.com.

Driving Directions

Beginning **Monday, May 12th, Linden Avenue will be closed.** To enter the Long Beach Shoreline Marina, you will need to use Shoreline Village Drive.

Beginning **Thursday, May 15th, Shoreline Drive will be closed.** The **ONLY** entrance to the Long Beach Shoreline Marina will be from Pine Ave, eastbound Shoreline Drive to Shoreline Village Drive.

HALIBUT DERBY

Shoreline Yacht Club is hosting its 10th Annual Halibut Derby April 26-27, 2008. Any boaters in the Long Beach Marina are invited to participate in this event. They can sign up at the club or call (562) 435-4093.

SQUADRON BOATING CLASS

The Alamitos Sail & Power Squadron will present a 4-week Squadron Boating Class (boating safety) at Seal Beach Yacht Club on Mondays, beginning May 12, 2008 at 7 p.m. The fee is \$35 per person. For more information contact Roger Jozel at (562) 431-7501 or Dick Daybell at (714) 801-7319 or email rdaybell@earthlink.net.

The Alamitos and Tres Rios Sail & Power Squadron will present an 8-week Junior (celestial) Navigation Class at Simms Park on Wednesdays, beginning June 4, 2008 at 7 p.m. The fee is \$85 per person. For more information and to register, contact Glen Draper at (562) 531-3734 or Dick Daybell at (714) 801-7319 or at rdaybell@earthlink.net.

AMERICA'S BOATING COARSE

The USCG Auxiliary, Flotilla 53, will be offering a one-day "America's Boating Course" on Saturday May 3, 2008, starting at 8:30 a.m. at Boater's World, 5912 E. Edinger Ave. (at Springdale), Huntington Beach, CA


This 8-hour boating safety course will cover types of boats, required boat and personal equipment, safe boat handling, weather, tides, charts, anchors, navigation aids and rules, radio, launching and recovering, a review, quiz, and certificate of completion.

Full price is \$40, which includes textbook, tide tables, Calif. Boating Regulations & other miscellaneous handouts.

For further information and pre-registration please call Paul Busher, (714) 840-0232.



TIDE CHART FOR APRIL 2008

	LOW TIDE				HIGH TIDE			
	AM	Ht.	PM	Ht.	AM	Ht.	PM	Ht.
1. Th	1:00	1.4	12:58	0.4	6:46	4.2	7:23	5.1
2. F	1:44	0.6	1:31	0.6	7:41	4.3	7:51	5.6
3. Sa	2:27	-0.2	2:05	0.8	8:34	4.3	8:22	6.2
4. Su	3:11	-0.9	2:40	1.1	9:26	4.2	8:56	6.6
5. M	3:58	-1.4	3:18	1.4	10:19	4.1	9:35	6.8
6. Tu	4:46	-1.6	3:57	1.7	11:15	3.9	10:17	6.8
7. W	5:39	-1.6	4:41	2.1	12:17	3.6	11:04	6.5
8. Th	6:35	-1.4	5:34	2.4	1:27	3.5	11:56	6.1
9. F	7:38	-1.0	6:44	2.7	--	--	2:46	3.5
10. Sa	8:45	-0.6	8:23	2.8	12:58	5.5	4:05	3.7
11. Su	9:52	-0.3	10:12	2.6	2:14	4.9	5:07	4.0
12. M	10:53	0.0	11:40	2.0	3:42	4.4	5:55	4.4
13. Tu	11:45	0.4	--	--	5:08	4.1	6:32	4.8
14. W	12:44	1.4	12:27	0.7	6:22	3.9	7:04	5.1
15. Th	1:34	0.8	1:03	1.1	7:24	3.8	7:31	5.4
16. F	2:16	0.3	1:33	1.4	8:17	3.7	7:57	5.6
17. Sa	2:53	-0.1	2:01	1.7	9:03	3.6	8:21	5.7
18. Su	3:27	-0.4	2:26	1.9	9:46	3.6	8:46	5.8
19. Mo	3:59	-0.5	2:52	2.1	10:26	3.5	9:12	5.8
20. Tu	4:33	-0.6	3:19	2.3	11:06	3.4	9:40	5.8
21. W	5:08	-0.6	3:46	2.5	11:48	3.3	10:10	5.6
22. Th	5:46	-0.4	4:16	2.6	12:35	3.2	10:43	5.5
23. F	6:28	-0.3	4:49	2.8	1:30	3.2	11:19	5.2
24. Sa	7:13	-0.1	5:34	2.9	--	--	2:33	3.2
25. Su	8:01	0.1	6:48	3.1	12:01	4.9	3:34	3.3
26. Mo	8:51	0.3	8:37	3.0	12:52	4.6	4:21	3.6
27. Tu	9:40	0.5	10:23	2.6	2:02	4.1	4:56	4.0
28. W	10:27	0.7	11:41	1.9	3:32	3.8	5:27	4.5
29. Th	11:12	0.9	--	--	5:03	3.6	5:58	5.0
30. F	12:39	1.1	11:55	1.2	6:24	3.5	6:32	5.6
31. Sa	1:30	0.2	12:39	1.4	7:34	3.6	7:09	6.2

AUCTION

The Long Beach Marine Bureau will be holding an auction of impounded and abandoned vessels on May 3, 2008 at the Alamitos Bay Marina. Inspection and registration begins at 8:00 a.m. Auction starts at 9:00 a.m.

Full payment is due the day of sale, no later than noon. There will be no refunds or adjustments. Payment may be made with cash, check or credit card.

All items offered "As Is-Where Is". All sales are final. There will be no refunds or adjustments. There is no warranty either specific or implied as to the condition of the items offered for sale and we reserve the right to reject any offer or withdraw any item from the sale.

No vessel sold at the auction will be allowed in the Long Beach Marinas for a period of six months.

For more information call Kimarie Vestre at (562) 570-3236 or e-mail kimarie_vestre@longbeach.gov.

SEAMANSHIP COARSE

The US Coast Guard Auxiliary, Flotilla 3-1, will be sponsoring a 7-week course, Boating Skills & Seamanship, on Wednesdays, beginning May 21, 2008 from 6:30-8:30pm. The classes will be held at Peck Park Recreation Center, 560 N. Western Ave., San Pedro, (corner of Western and Crestwood). The cost is \$25 for textbooks. For further information call Gary Norgaard at (562) 427-0332 or Howard Kay at (310) 833-9577.

FROM THE MANAGER



From the Manager

By Mark Sandoval, Manager of Marinas and Beaches

An early Easter and a longer daylight savings season – all an attempt to lengthen the summer? Hopefully this entices you to get out on the water more than you normally would in early spring.

I have some good news to report regarding the moorings that are planned off the City's beach. The State Coastal Commission approved the permit last month, and the City's Council will have (hopefully) approved the operator's contract by the time you read this. All that is left is the installation, so I fully anticipate that we will, for the first time, have moorings available for short-term rent off the beach by the summer. We will provide more information in upcoming newsletters.

We are also moving forward rapidly with the rebuild of the Alamitos Bay Marina. The environmental documentation has been completed, and will be available for review in the very near future. I anticipate that the project will go to the City's Planning Commission in May, and the Coastal Commission as soon as we can, once it receives local approval. We have made a decision to contract with Bellingham Marine for the docks and project construction. I anticipate that we will have this contract in place in the next two months, and will be ready to begin construction towards the end of the year.

My final topic this month is slip pricing. I have reported in this newsletter in the past that there is an inherent inequity in the manner in which the industry prices slips. In general, small vessel marina customers pay significantly more per square foot of water used than the large vessel customers. Over the past number of years, we have moved in the direction of correcting this inequity, but using our current rates, a standard 20-foot slip is priced at \$1.11 per square foot of space rented, and a standard 100-foot slip is priced at \$0.62 per square foot of space rented, a huge differential.

In an attempt to correct this inequity, last year the Marine Advisory Commission adopted a Pricing Policy, which is based on a square-footage pricing system. We are working to implement this structure in the upcoming year, so I would anticipate that the larger slips will see a much different rate change than the smaller slips. I know of no other marinas that price slips in this manner, but I believe that it is the system of the future in the industry, and I believe that we should be striving for equity in our pricing structure. I will be providing more details on this topic in future newsletters.

As always, happy and healthy boating.

Mark A. Sandoval

REMINDER: Make sure the Marina has your correct address, phone number and contact information. Also, if you would like to receive timely notices of Marina related news, provide your e-mail address. Mail or fax your changes to the marina office.